

A collage of labor-related items. The top half features a close-up of the blue field with white stars from the American flag. Below the flag, there are several orange work gloves. In the foreground, a pair of blue-handled pliers and a yellow-handled tool are visible. The background is a blurred mix of red, white, and blue, suggesting the stripes of the flag.

**HAPPY
LABOR
DAY!**

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The first Thursday of each Month from 6:30-7:30pm.

ROSARY FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Rosary is not being held at this time.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

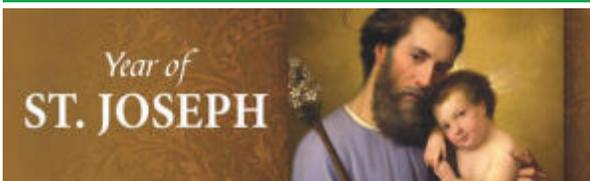
Saturdays from 8:30-9:30 am.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To schedule your Baptism or for more information, please call Lisa Hudson at the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to begin the preparation process and to confirm a date and time for your wedding. This process should begin at least six months in advance of the desired date.



MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Mary of the Annunciation is a Roman Catholic Christian Community centered around the Eucharist, welcoming all, while growing through faith and stewardship.

Saint Mary Parish, Melrose, MA

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S!

If you are visiting and looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you to our Saint Mary of the Annunciation Parish Community. We hope that you find the worship and liturgy uplifting and an encouragement to your faith. We invite you to participate in the life of our parish. Whatever your age or walk of life, we want this parish to be your spiritual home. We are a community centered on excellent liturgy, helping people of all ages grow in relationship with Jesus, and welcoming all. Please introduce yourself to Fr Shawn, our Pastor. We want to know you and serve you.

MASS Intentions

	<u>Saturday, September 4</u>
4:00 pm	Leah K. Goodhue
	<u>Sunday, September 5</u>
7:30 am	Daniel J. Laverty
9:30 am	Timothy Scarry
11:30 am	For the People of Saint Mary Parish
	<u>Saturday, September 11</u>
4:00 pm	Esther Crimmins & Deceased Members of the O'Leary Family
	<u>Sunday, September 12</u>
7:30 am	Debra Kelley
9:30 am	Susan Regan
11:30 am	James Mark Miller



Please pray that God will watch over and safeguard our men and women serving in the military. We thank you for your service.

PO2 Patrick Casey, USCG	SSgt Daniel Munday, USAF
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Should you wish to have the names of your family members and friends on our military prayer list, **please complete the form below and drop it in the collection baskets or email ketarmey@gmail.com or marjk50@comcast.net**

RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	BRANCH OF SERVICE

Name of person submitting: _____

Telephone number: _____

Prayer Requests

<p><i>Please pray for those who are ill especially</i></p> <p>Ellie Pistorino Patricia DeGaravilla Katherine Connolly Stephen Patrick Donahue Madeleine Boucher</p>	<p><i>Our Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Daniel J. Laverty</p> <p><i>We pray for our recently deceased parishioners.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Lena Nugent</i></p>
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SCHEDULED PRESIDERS

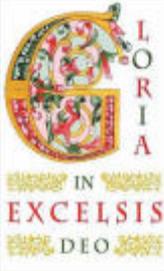
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RESERVED SEATING FOR THOSE WHO PREFER TO SIT NEAR PEOPLE WHO ARE WEARING MASKS

As recommended by the Archdiocese, the first 3 pews on the right hand side of the church **facing the altar** are reserved for those who are wearing masks and are more comfortable sitting in an area with mask wearers.

Mask wearing is encouraged but not required. Mask-wearers may sit anywhere in the church. Non mask-wearers, however, are asked to avoid the first 3 pews on the right side facing the altar. As of now, social distancing is not mandated. We will let you know of any changes in policy as they arise. Thank you for your cooperation.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at

the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 35:4-7a

Thus says the LORD:

Say to those whose hearts are frightened:
Be strong, fear not!

Here is your God,
he comes with vindication;
with divine recompense
he comes to save you.

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,
the ears of the deaf be cleared;

then will the lame leap like a

stag,
then the tongue of the mute
will sing.

Streams will burst forth in the
desert,
and rivers in the steppe.
The burning sands will become
pools,
and the thirsty ground,
springs of water.



Responsorial Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The God of Jacob keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets captives free.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The LORD gives sight to the blind;
the LORD raises up those who were bowed down.

The LORD loves the just;
the LORD protects strangers.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains,
but the way of the wicked he thwarts.

The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading James 2:1-5

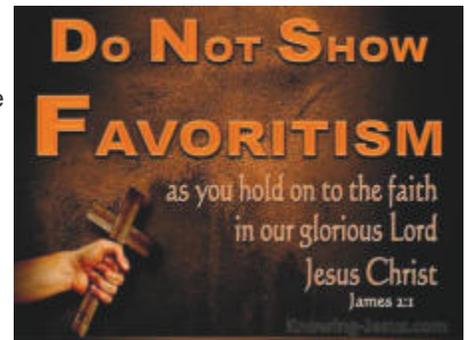
My brothers and sisters, show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ.

For if a man with gold rings and fine clothes comes into your assembly, and a poor person in shabby clothes also comes in, and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Sit here, please," while you say to the poor one, "Stand there," or "Sit at my feet,"

have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil designs?

Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters.

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?



Gospel Mark 7:31-37

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis. And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"— that is, "Be opened!" —

And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed,

and he spoke plainly.

He ordered them not to tell anyone.

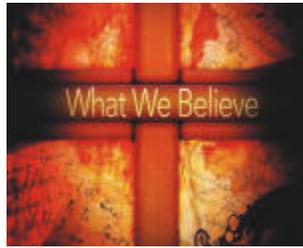
But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it.

They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."



THE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation,
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.



For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



Faith Formation

**ALL CLASSES BEGIN NEXT SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 12th**

All classes are held on Sundays in the Parish Center;
Grades 1-8, 10:45-12:15pm and
Confirmation 1 and 2, 4-6pm

**2021-2022 class calendars are on the website
under the Faith Formation tab!
Homeschool option for Grades 3-8 ONLY!**

REQUIRED PARENT MEETINGS
GRADES 1-8 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 from 7-8pm
in the Lower Church Hall

CONFIRMATION 1 and 2 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER
9 from 7-8pm in the Lower Church Hall

Website: stmarysmelrose.org **Join** our FB page!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are in need of many volunteers.
The following ministries are in need:

BAPTISM MINISTRY

Approximately 60 minute timeframe
from set up, through the Sacrament
and clean up about once per month.

FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

Need Catechist Assistants for ALL Grades

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Greeters, Lectors, Altar Servers (Grade 4 and above),
Adult Altar Servers (Funerals), Eucharistic Ministers,
Sacristans, Choirs

Youth Choir Grades 2-8 for 9:30 Mass
Adult Choir for 11:30 Mass

Please contact the Rectory at **781 665 0152**
to volunteer or complete the **ONLINE FORM** on our website,
stmarysmelrose.org or from the folder on the bookcase in
the back of the Church. **THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!**

FATIMA GARDEN DEADLINE

Recently, there has been some interest in purchasing
pavers, so we are presenting parishioners or others the op-
portunity to purchase a paver. We **must have at least 10
paver** requests in order to submit an order. We are very
close to meeting the minimum so please send in your form
as soon as possible. **THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING
THE FORM IS SEPTEMBER 15TH.** Once the order is sub-
mitted, we cannot accept any more requests.

There are two options for pavers:

~6x9" paver, 3 lines of 15 characters each, text size 3/4"
Cost: \$200 each

~12x12" paver, 7 lines of 23 characters each, text size 3/4"
Cost: \$350 each

Please note that spaces count as one character.

If you would like to purchase a paver or have any ques-
tions, please call the rectory. Paver request forms are avail-
able at all the Masses through Sept. 12. Just ask the usher
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- The school environment is secure and protected

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monday, Sep 6—Labor Day—NO SCHOOL
Tue, Sep 7—BSP and ASP Begins
Thursday, Sep 30—Individual Picture Day



Moving into Grade 4?
Want to Train to Become an Altar Server?
Want to return to Altar Serving?
 Please call the Rectory at 781 665 0152 and put your name on our list. **Thank you!**

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

GALILEE	TOUCH	SPIT
DEAF	FINGERS	TONGUE
TALK	EARS	AMAZED

O	D	L	A	D	H	M	A	C	D
F	T	O	N	G	U	E	R	O	G
N	A	D	W	A	B	G	I	S	N
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E	L	T	O	U	C	H	M	L	R
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MISSION

Go to the library and find out how to say "Jesus loves you" in sign language. On the way home, pretend you cannot hear or speak.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Welcomes singers and instrumentalists!

If you would like to learn more about music, and would like to sing or play an instrument at Mass, please join us!

Contact: Paula Lowell, Dir. of Music, 978-658-0161
Email: powell88@gmail.com

Youth Choir (Grades 2-8)

The Youth Choir sings weekly at the Sunday 9:30am Mass.

Rehearsals: Fridays from 4:00–5:00pm in the Parish Center.

Rehearsals begin on Sept. 17th, Friday afternoon.





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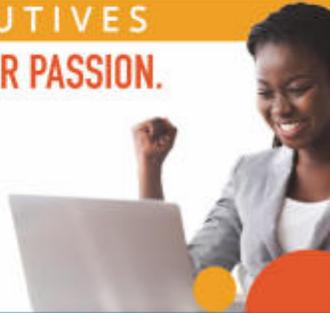
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